

Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund

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Trust Fund Sources

FY 2012

• Hunting and Fishing License Fees	\$25,200,000
• Balance forward	\$18,200,000
• Federal Funds	\$16,300,000
• Fish and Wildlife Habitat Stamps	\$ 3,600,000
• Boat Registration Fees	\$ 484,000
• ATV and Snowmobile Fees	\$ 200,000
• Miscellaneous	\$ 5,300,000
Total	\$ 69,000,000

Trust Fund

Iowa Constitution

“All revenue derived from state license fees for hunting, fishing, and trapping, and all state funds appropriated for, and federal or private funds received by the state for, the regulation or advancement of hunting , fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation, restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife, shall be used exclusively for the performance and administration of activities related to those purposes.”

1996 Amendment

88% Yes

Trust Fund

Iowa Constitution

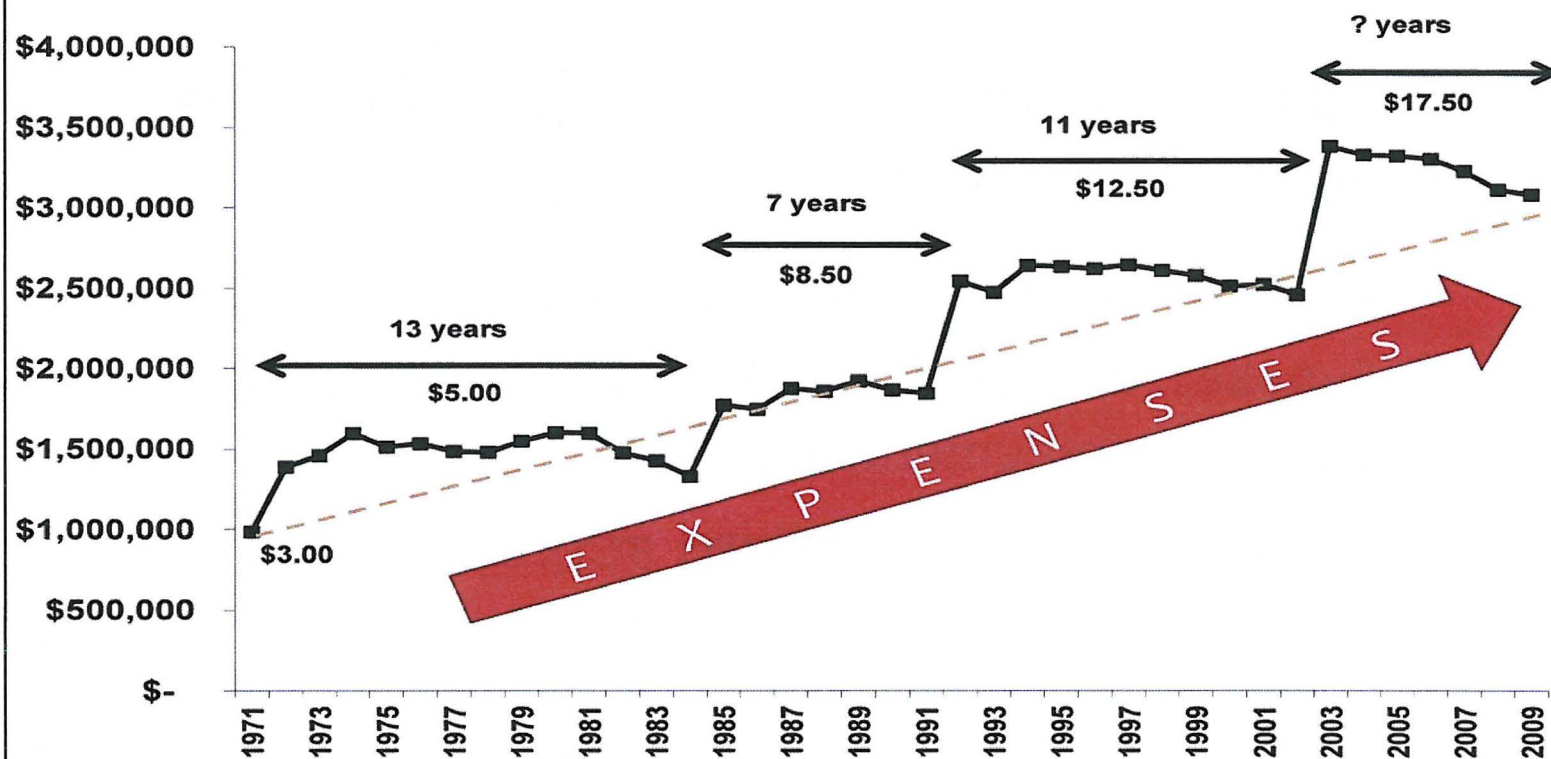
Trust Funds **MUST** be used for:

- Hunting, Fishing, Trapping
- Management of Fish and Wildlife
- Related Activities

Trust Funds **CANNOT** be used for:

- Parks
- Trails
- State Forests

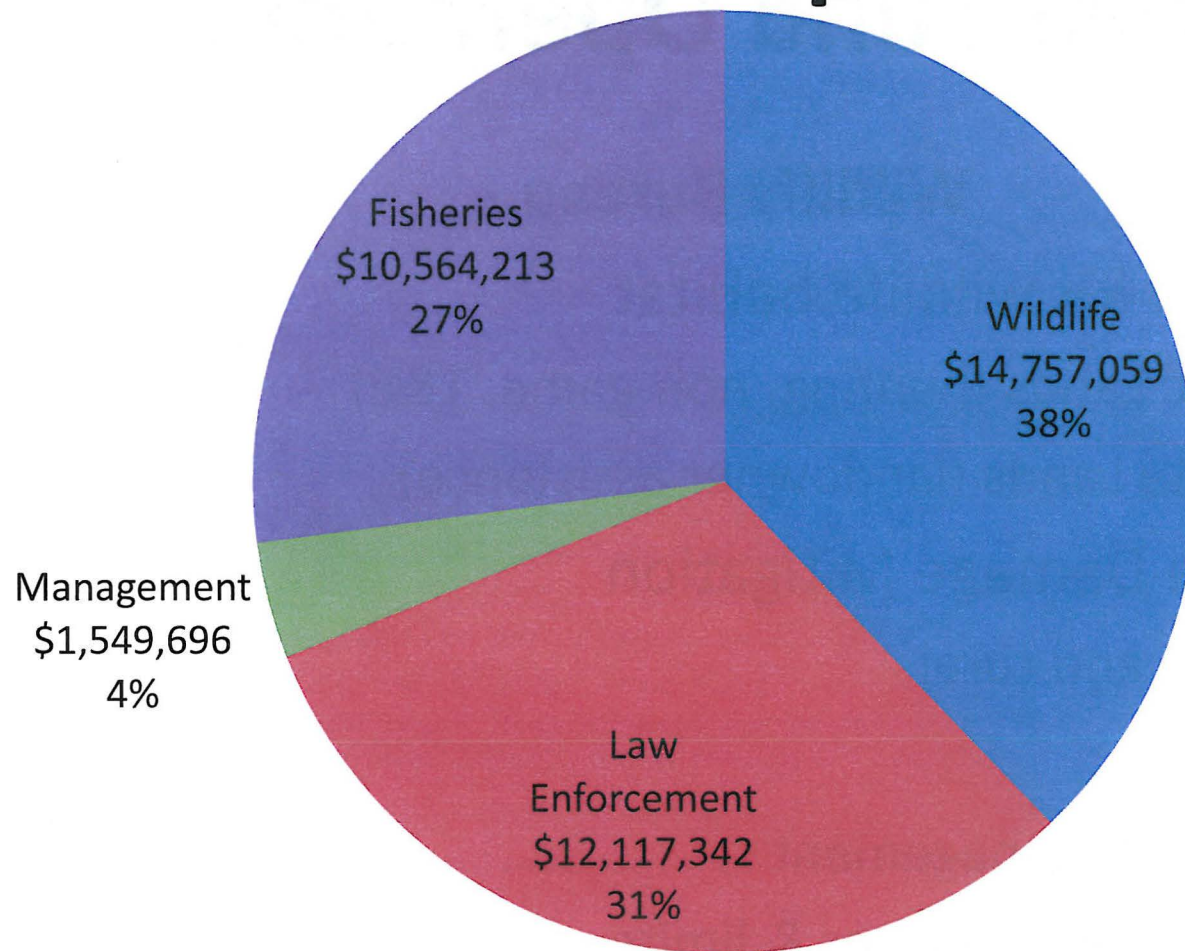
Balance Forward



Trust Fund Operations

- Funds for *operations* are appropriated by the legislature each year
- Include all expenses for day-to-day activities
 - Supplies, vehicles, overhead costs, salaries and benefits, equipment, and travel
- FY13 Trust Fund operations appropriation is \$41,478,732

Trust Fund Operations



Trust Fund Operations

Wildlife Bureau

- Manage for wildlife habitat
 - Public Lands (hunting, non-game, T&E)
 - Private Lands (landowner assistance)
- Wildlife Damage Mitigation
 - Urban and rural
- Research
 - Support management
 - Set hunting seasons & limits

Trust Fund Operations

Law Enforcement Bureau

- Enforce Fish and Game Laws
 - 82 Officers
- Accident Investigation (boating & hunting)
- Hunter Education
- Mentored Hunts (youth & disabled)
- Outdoor Skills Workshops (hunting, trapping)

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Fisheries Bureau

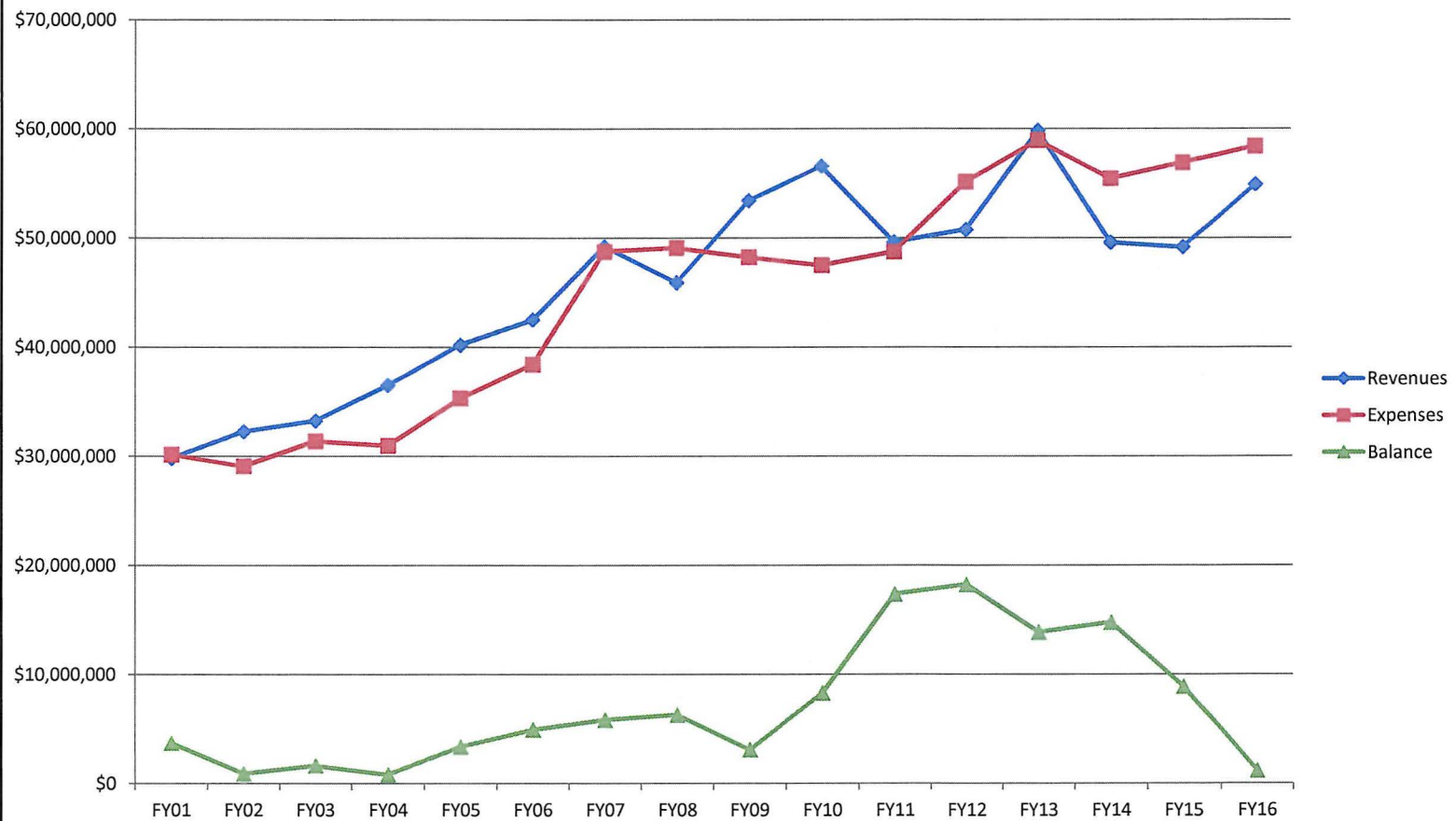
- Manage fish populations in lakes and streams
 - Improve fishing opportunities
- Fish Hatcheries
 - Stock fish (walleye, trout, musky, etc)
- Research
 - Support management
 - Improve fish hatchery production techniques
- Lake Restoration Program

Trust Fund

Capitals & Contingencies

- Infrastructure Projects
 - Roads, buildings, land easements and acquisitions, FEMA repair projects, etc.
- Contingencies
 - Law Enforcement radios
 - Peace Officer retirement expenses
- One-time non-operational expenses
 - Grants, HUSH, etc.
- FY 12 = \$15,380,000

Trust Fund



Trust Fund Operations

Increased Cost of Doing Business



Trust Fund Operations

Meeting Budget

Revenue Enhancements

- New License Options
 - Combination, 3-year license, 3rd Pole
- Fishing License Marketing

Current Program Cuts

- Habitat Management on Public Lands
- Law Enforcement
- Fish Stocking

Hunting, Trapping, Fishing Forums

Fall 2010 Spring 2012

Conclusions

Participants Like the Hunting and Fishing in Iowa

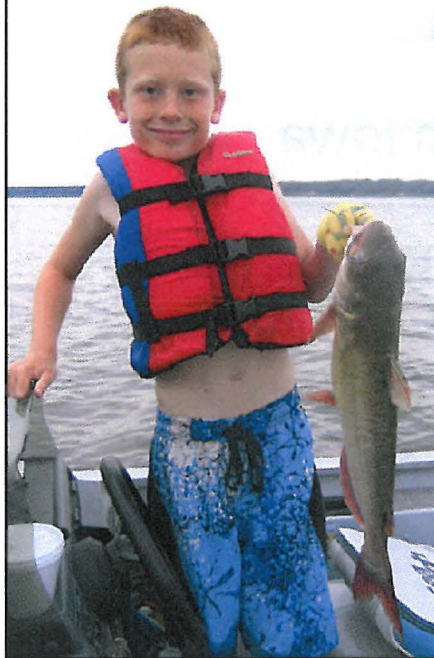
Concerns:

Loss of Habitat
Fewer Places to Hunt
Youth Involvement
Funding

Needs:

Public Hunting/Access
Education Programs
Youth Programs

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